



MEP Lung Health Group



# A STRONGER EUROPEAN RESPONSE TO RARE DISEASES THE CASE OF PULMONARY HYPERTENSION

## Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April

10:00-11:30 CET

European Parliament, room: 5G305

Hosted by MEP Ujhelyi (S&D, Hungary)  
Chaired by Marc Humbert, ERS President

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| 10:00 – 10:05 | <b>Welcome</b><br>MEP István <b>Ujhelyi</b> (S&D, Hungary)  |
| 10:05 – 10:15 | <b>Pulmonary hypertension, rare diseases and EU policies</b><br>Marion <b>Delcroix</b> , Director, Centre of Pulmonary Vascular Diseases,<br>University Hospitals of Leuven, Leuven, Belgium  |
| 10:15 – 10:25 | <b>The role of the European Commission in the field of health and the EU Health Programme</b><br>Jose A. <b>Valverde</b> , Policy Officer, Unit B3. European Reference Networks<br>and Digital Health, Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety |
| 10:25 – 10:35 | <b>Introduction of the Call to Action position paper (patient empowerment)</b><br>Gergely <b>Meszaros</b> , Project manager, PHA Europe   |
| 10:35 – 10:40 | <b>Improve screening and raising awareness</b><br>Laurent <b>Godinas</b> , Assistant Professor, Department of Respiratory Diseases,<br>University Hospitals Leuven, Leuven, Belgium   |
| 10:40 – 10:50 | <b>Access to treatment</b><br>Adam <b>Torbicki</b> , Professor, Center for Postgraduate Medical Education,<br>ECZ-Otwock, Poland  |
| 10:50 – 11:00 | <b>Encourage clinical research and innovation</b><br>Gabor <b>Kovacs</b> , Assistant Professor, Division of Pulmonology,<br>University Clinic for Internal Medicine, Graz, Austria  |
| 11:00 – 11:05 | <b>Psychosocial support</b><br>Eva <b>Otter</b> , President, PHA Europe   |
| 11:05 – 11:25 | <b>Panel discussion</b>   |
| 11:25 – 11:30 | <b>Closing</b><br>MEP Tomislav <b>Sokol</b> (EPP, Croatia) (TBC)  |